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Docket No.: DOLANSKY

In re Application of:)
STEFAN DOLANSKY et al.)
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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR SIMULATION OF THE CONTROL AND MACHINE BEHAVIOR OF MACHINE TOOLS AND PRODUCTION-LINE MACHINES)

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

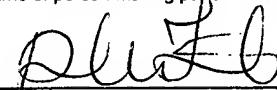
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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references A) to B) which are cited in the instant specification and references C) to D). Applicant does not admit that any of the cited documents constitutes prior art against the pending application.

Country:	Patent or Appl. No:	Patentee or Applicant:	Issue or Filing Date:
A)	"Virtuelle Werkzeugmaschinen für die Simulation", vol. 92 (2002)		
B)	"Echtzeitfähige Maschinenmodelle", vol. 92 (2002)		
C)	Germany	DE 197 39 559 A1 Traub	03-18-1999
D)	Germany	DE 101 14 811 A1 Volkswagen AG	10-10-2002

Copies of these references are submitted herewith along with form PTO-1449. The Examiner is requested to initial the attached form PTO-1449 and to return a copy of the initialed document to the undersigned as an indication that the attached references have been considered and made of record.

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In addition, applicant notes with respect to any information that is not in English language as follows:

Reference C) describes a methods and apparatus for visualizing a control program of a machine tool. The machine tool is provided with operating units. The operating units include machining units, which are provided with tools, and at least one workpiece receiving in accordance with a machine tool configuration. The machine tool is also provided with a computerized control for controlling movement of the operating units in accordance with a control configuration. Sets of control data are read from the control program with a data processing unit. Virtual operating units corresponding to the operating units of the machine tool, linkings of the virtual operating units, and virtual actions of the virtual operating units are automatically determined taking into account the machine tool configuration and the control configuration. The virtual operating units and their virtual actions are then represented for a user in the form of a machine display

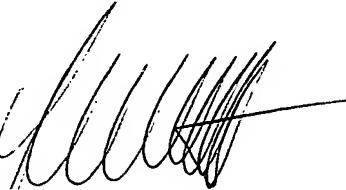
Reference D) describes a system which stores desired machining paths relative to the desired geometry of the workpiece (2-4) concerned in a data module (17). At each time during the machining the current path data and/or the deviation from the original desired machining path are determined while taking into account the material removed during machining of the workpiece.

The above-identified application discloses and claims an invention patentable over this prior art.

Entry of the references above set forth into the file of the above application is believed to be in order and is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted

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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

		"Virtuelle Werkzeugmaschinen für die Simulation" (<i>Virtual Machine Tools for use in Simulation</i>) in the online journal <i>wt Werkstattstechnik (Workshop Technology)</i> , vol. 92 (2002), no. 5, pages 205-209
		"Echtzeitfähige Maschinenmodelle" (<i>Realtime-capable Machine Model</i>) in the online journal <i>wt Werkstattstechnik (Workshop Technology)</i> , vol. 92 (2002), no. 5, pages 187-193

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